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Fig. 1.

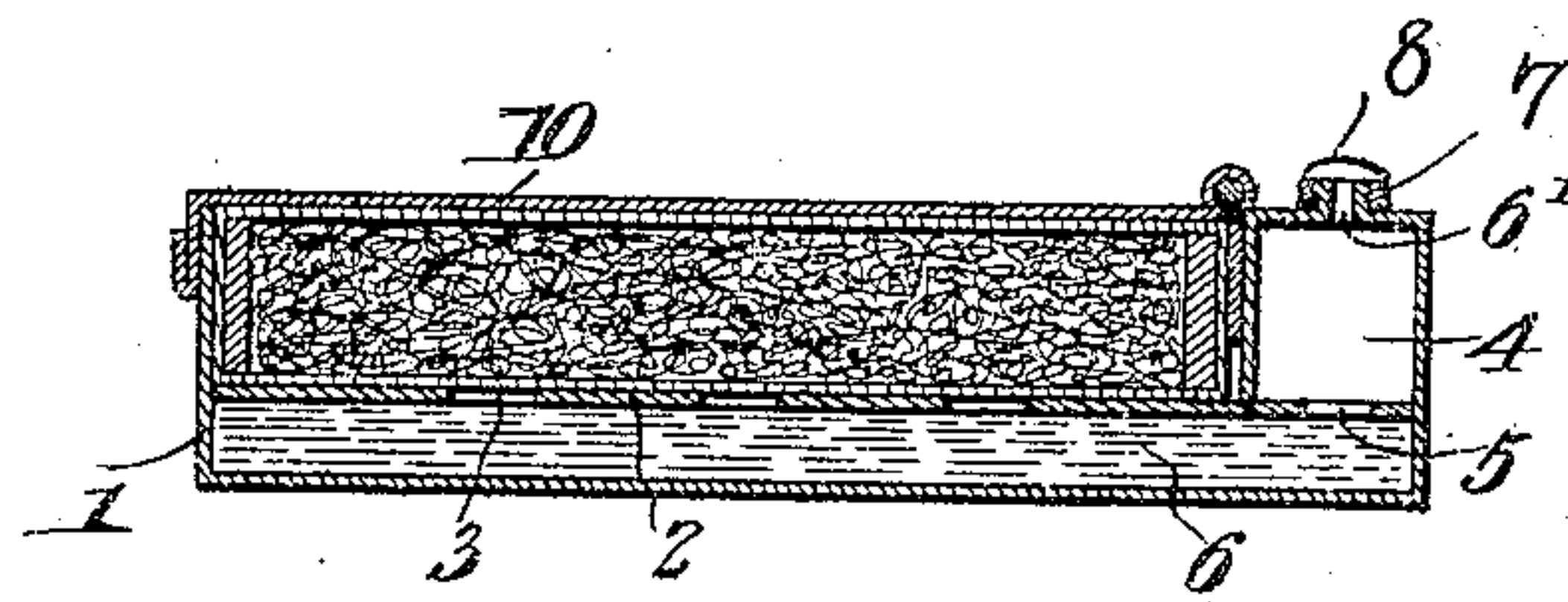
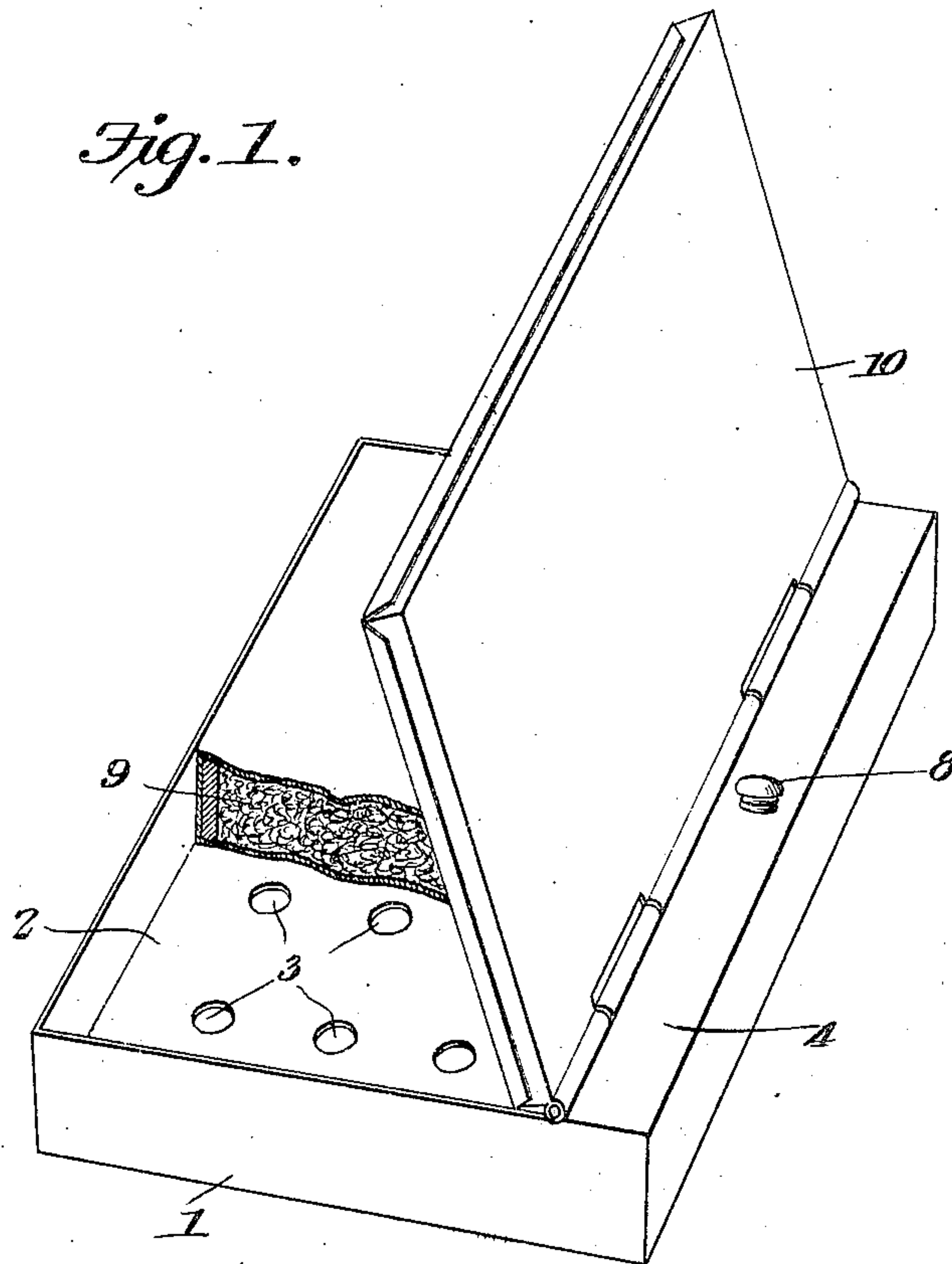


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL D. RUTH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Beatrice, in the county of Gage and State of Nebraska, have invented a new and useful Ink-Pad, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to ink-pads, and has for its object to provide a fountain-pad of this character which can be easily supplied with ink and in which the ink will be evenly distributed over the lower portion of the pad, so as to be absorbed toward the upper or outer surface thereof.

Another object is to provide a pad of this character which can be filled with ink without the necessity of opening the casing containing the pad.

With the above and other objects in view the invention consists of a box-like casing having a perforated false bottom permanently fastened therein and adapted to support a pad of absorbent material. Formed along one edge of the casing is a reservoir having an inlet located in rear of the cover of the casing, and ink is adapted to be placed within this reservoir and will flow therefrom under the false bottom and will then be absorbed by the pad.

The invention also consists of certain other novel features of construction and combinations of parts, which will be hereinafter more fully described, and pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings is shown the preferred form of the invention.

In said drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the pad partly broken away, and Fig. 2 is a section through the closed device.

Referring to the figures by numerals of reference, 1 is a box-like casing formed of metal or other suitable material, and extending throughout the width and length of this casing is a false bottom 2, having numerous openings 3 therein. This false bottom is permanently fastened at its edge to the walls of the casing, preferably by means of solder, and disposed in one end of the casing and upon the false bottom is a reservoir 4, which

extends throughout the width of the casing and has one or more openings 5 in the bottom thereof for communicating with the distributing-compartment 6, formed between the two bottoms of the casing. This reservoir has an inlet-opening 6', from which extends a neck 7, which is normally closed by a screw-cap 8 or any other suitable closure. A pad 9, of absorbent material, is located upon the false bottom 2 and rests between the reservoir and the walls of the casing. A cover 10 is hinged to the top of the reservoir and is adapted to close down over the pad.

When using this device, the ink is poured into the reservoir 4 after the cap 8 has been removed and will flow therefrom through opening 5 and into the lower compartment 6. By filling this compartment and the reservoir the ink will be absorbed through the openings 3 by the pad and will be spread evenly over the entire lower surface thereof and will therefore be evenly distributed over the upper or exposed portion of the pad. After the device has been filled in this manner the inlet-opening 6' is closed, and the device is then ready for use. As the ink within the pad is used or evaporates it will be replenished by the ink within the reservoir. This pad can be constructed at slight cost, is very compact, and will insure an even distribution of ink upon the stamp brought into contact with the pad. By connecting the lid to the reservoir the same is supported thereby, when open, in a substantially horizontal position, so that the hand can be placed conveniently thereunder for the purpose of swinging the cover upward into closed position. There is therefore no danger of soiling the hands, such as experienced when it becomes necessary to grasp the cover in order to close it.

I claim—

A fountain-pad comprising a casing having a perforated false bottom extending throughout the length and width thereof, a feed-reservoir extending throughout the width of the casing, and upon the false bottom, said reservoir having a normally closed inlet, an absorbent pad interposed between the feed-reservoir and the walls of the casing, said pad

being mounted on the false bottom and a
closure hinged to the inner edge of the top of
the feed-reservoir and adapted to cover the
pad, said reservoir adapted to support the
5 cover in a substantially horizontal position
when open.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as

my own I have hereto affixed my signature in
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